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HOUSE BILL NO. 471

By Representatives Patton, David Davis

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 370

By Senator Crowe

AN ACT to amend Chapter 135 of the Acts of 1903, and all acts amendatory thereto, relative to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the Town of Jonesborough.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Chapter 135 of the Acts of 1903, as amended, is amended by deleting the words "a Mayor and four Aldermen to be chosen every two years" and substituting instead the words "a Mayor chosen every two years and four Aldermen to be chosen for four year staggered terms".

SECTION 2. Section 4 of Chapter 135 of the Acts of 1903, as amended, is amended by deleting the words "two years" and substituting instead the words "four years."

SECTION 3. Section 14 of Chapter 135 of the Acts of 1903, as amended, is amended by deleting the following language:

Be it further enacted, That on the first Thursday in April, 1904, and on the same day biennially thereafter, an election shall be held in the Town of Jonesboro for the purpose of electing a Board of Mayor and Aldermen for said town, whose term of office shall begin on the second Monday thereafter, and who shall serve for a term of two years and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

And substituting instead the following language:

Be it further enacted, that the terms of the present Mayor and Board of Aldermen are extended until the date of the state General Election in November 2000, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Beginning with the year 2000, the election of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen will be held biennially with the state general election in November. At the November 2000 election, the two (2) candidates for aldermen receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for terms of four (4) years, beginning the first Monday following their election, and the two (2) candidates for aldermen receiving the next highest number of votes shall be elected for terms of two (2) years beginning the first Monday following their election and the terms for all the Aldermen thereafter elected shall be for four (4) years, or until their successors are elected and qualified. At the November 2000 election, and every two (2) years thereafter, there shall be elected by the qualified voters, a mayor who shall serve a term of two (2) years, beginning the first Monday after the election, or until a successor is duly elected and qualified.

No person shall be a candidate for the office of Mayor and the office of Aldermen in the same election, nor shall any person hold both offices at the same time.

SECTION 4. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Legislative Body of the Town of Jonesborough. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the Town of Jonesborough and certified to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 4.

PASSED: March 4, 1999

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 11th day of March 1999

DON SONDQUIST GOVERNOR